



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Hidemitsu Aoki et al.

Serial No.: 10/614,971

Group Art Unit: 2812

Filed: July 9, 2003

Examiner: Olivia T. Luk

For: PREPARATION PROCESS FOR SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	<u>AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>PREV. PAID FOR</u>	<u>EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>FEE DUE</u>
Total Claims	25	22	= 3	x \$ 50.00	\$ 150.00
Indep. Claims	4	4	= 0	x \$ 200.00	\$ -

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT


\$ 150.00

A check in the amount of \$150.00 is submitted herewith to cover the excess claim fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

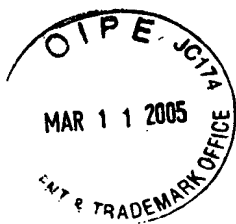
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to Office Action dated December 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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